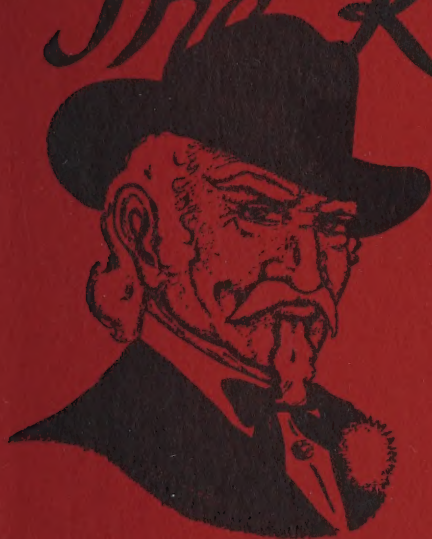


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This issue is dedicated to the seniors. Each senior has contributed a short biography.

Brenda Barney

I came to KSB in 1961. I would like to say that I have enjoyed most of my school years. I hope to return once in awhile to visit. After I leave in June, I plan to attend business college near my home.

Some of the activities I have enjoyed doing include cheerleading, track, play day activities, and helping on the Kentucky Colonel Staff.

Charles Beisler

I came to school when I was eight years old. I can remember hearing the sad news of President Kennedy's assassination because Randy Atcher came to an all school assembly.

I have been a member of the band, chorus, and have sung in our lately modernized version of our Barbershop Double Quartet. I sang tenor. I have been part of the swim team and enjoyed it very much.

When I leave KSB, I hope to go to a music school here in Louisville. I hope to get a job either performing or as a music therapist.

Tina Caldwell

Since Tina Caldwell has received her credits, she is not at school, but will be in the graduation ceremonies.

As a student of KSB, Tina has taken part in activities such as swimming, track, bowling, cheerleading, and a member of the pep club.

After graduation, she hopes to work in her parents' store.

Vicky Collins

I first came to KSB in 1962 and have been a student here ever since.

I was a member of the girls' track team for three years; a member of the pep club for three years, being president for one of those years and treasurer for another; and I have worked on our school

newspaper for four years. Also, for most of this year, I participated in a working program at the Kentucky Industries for the Blind.

As of right now, my plans for after graduation are indefinite.

Harold Turner

Harold Turner, who has completed his credits at Union County High School, will return to graduate with his class in June. His plans are indefinite.

Sharon Vanderlip

I came to KSB in 1972. Some of the activities that I have taken part in include working in the food center for Career Education, doing light housework, taking part in play day activities in Ohio, and I was a member of the pep club.

Douglas Ward

My name is William Douglas Ward. This is my fifth year at the Kentucky School

for the Blind. I am eighteen years old, five feet seven inches, and weight 156 pounds.

During my first few years at KSB, I couldn't participate in very many activities because of illness. Since then I have been on the wrestling team for three years; track, two years; and band, three years. Since I have participated in sports, I have made many friends in Kentucky and also many other states.

In the future I hope many other visually handicapped people get the opportunity I had by coming to the Kentucky School for the Blind.

Donna Wheeler

Donna Wheeler, who took the GED test, is coming back to graduate with her class in June. She tells us she plans to make her home in Nashville, Tennessee, where she will be able to continue her work in music.

Libby Williams

I came to KSB in September of 1961. Other than my academic subjects, I have taken part in swimming, track, cheer-leading, helping to write our school paper, piano and chorus.

After graduation, I would like to develop X-rays, work as a switchboard operator or a certain type of office work.

I enjoyed most of my years at KSB and I feel that I have received a good education.

Lorie Wright

I came to KSB in 1970. In addition to my schoolwork I took part in play day activities in Ohio. Last year I helped plan the junior-senior prom. At the homecoming dance I was one of the queen candidates. I have also done part-time work at the Kentucky Industries for the Blind this year.

The Commencement Exercises will be held June 2 at 3:00 P.M. The speaker will be Finis E. Davis. Mr. Davis is Vice President and General Manager of the American Printing House for the Blind.

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We, the senior class, would like to express our gratitude to the PTA for their generous graduation gift to us.

We realize that they have worked for the money given to us, and we are grateful for it. It will come in handy for expenses on our senior trip.

The PTA will be having their annual festival May 18. We urge all those who can to attend.

NEWS NOTES

The seniors are going to Nashville, Tennessee, the weekend of May 10th. They are planning to attend a concert at the Tennessee School for the Blind. They will visit the Grand Old Opry before returning home.

MAY DAY

May Day, celebrated on May first, originally was celebrated in honor of Flora, the goddess of flowers. The day represents the coming of spring and the departure of winter.

May Day was formerly one of England's biggest festivals when children would gather flowers for the May Pole. Then with brightly colored ribbons they would dance and sing while weaving the ribbons around the pole, until it was completely covered. Each girl would wear her prettiest dress in hope of being chosen May queen.

In the United States the holiday, which is mostly for children, is still widely celebrated in public schools and parks with the decorating of a May Pole.

Other countries have their own customs of the celebration, but the beautiful spring flowers are still an important part of each custom.

We enjoyed our May Day Celebration and all the girls looked their very best.

BIRDLAND KSB

When we had the tornado in Louisville, it damaged Mr. & Mrs. Smith's home so she had to bring her birds to school. She kept them all in her office and it was full!

Here are their names:

Banjo - Orange Wing Amazon:

eats sunflower seeds, oranges,
apples, bananas

Scully - Bee Pee Parrot:

eats sunflower seeds, parakeet
seed and fruits

Chan & Chin - 2 Moustache Parakeets,
male and female:

eats sunflower seeds,
parakeet seed and fruits

Pip - Parakeet, female

Oliver - Mynah Bird:

eats Mynah bird food

O'Malley - Robin, female:

eats Mynah bird food

Sparrow: eats seeds
3 Canaries, 1 male singer, 2 female
Tito & Copper - 2 Cockatiels: eat
sunflower seeds

A SPECIAL THANK YOU
Vicky Collins - Grade 12

Everybody probably knows that The Louisville Lions' Club, or "Downtown" Lions' Club, has sponsored this school's annual Christmas party for many years, spending about \$500 a year. However, this club has done many other things as well, and just how much does everybody know about them? Then, too, this reporter feels that since this club has done so much for us, it deserves more than just a casual mention at Christmas time, and so this article is being written.

The main purpose of the organization is to serve mankind however it can, and here are some of the things that this club has done. It has made contributions to the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Kentucky Society for Crippled Children, and the Kosair Hospital. It established and

helped to build the two million dollar Kentucky Lions' Eye Foundation Building. Also, it is a co-sponsor of the International Youth Camp.

ALL ABOUT RAILROADS

The boys in Mr. Owen's class took a walk shortly before the Easter holiday, and their ramblings took them to the nearby railroad tracks where they observed the passing of a freight train into Louisville. It just so happened that the caboose stopped just opposite from where we were standing, and the conductor invited all to come aboard. Inside we saw the sleeping, eating and heating areas. There were radio communications between the locomotive and the caboose. The caboose is heated by fuel oil.

On this excursion the boys also were shown how the ties, rails and ballast are fastened together as a unit to furnish a roadbed for the movement of trains. The boys also received an explanation as to how the railroad switch is operated to

shunt cars onto a siding from the main-line, so that the cars can be diverted to a nearby factory or warehouse.

AFTERMATH OF A TORNADO
Steve Robbins - Grade 10

On April 3, 1974, at 4:12 p.m., a tornado ripped its way through Brandenburg and the surrounding area. This vicious storm leveled a strip about a quarter mile wide through the northwestern side of town and all but leveled the downtown section.

My family and two of my uncles in Brandenburg lost their homes and most of their possessions.

I arrived home at 9:30 Thursday morning and started to help Mom and Dad dig through the remains of our home and try to salvage what we could. I found a tie, that I usually wear on stage, driven through a board. It will take years for Brandenburg and the other areas hit by the tornado to be halfway built back. The last count I heard was forty dead. Material things are for a little while, but a life is forever.

YESTERDAY WAS A DAY I'LL NEVER FORGET
Brett Wilson
Grade 10

Everyone in the world knows of the great Kentucky Derby. Everyone also knows that it's a race for horses. On April 29, history was made. The first derby for people was run. The derby for horses is a mile and a quarter. From my point of view the horse is lucky. The Marathon Runners had thirteen treacherous and tortuous miles to run. His Honor, Mayor Harvey Sloan also ran. Like all politicians, he promised to do better next year.

THEATRE NOTES

April 11 was a gala day for some of the students at KSB. We went to see "The Miracle Worker."

This play was about the deaf-blind girl, Helen Keller and her teacher, Anne Sullivan Macy. It describes how Miss Sullivan taught Helen the sign language. For instance, when Miss Sullivan would spell doll into Helen's

hand, she would show her the doll. What she was trying to do was to get Helen to understand that all things had a name. The miracle occurred when Helen was pumping water from a well. Miss Sullivan spelled the word water into her hand, and Helen realized that words stood for things because she had been able to say water before her illness.

The acting was superb, and the play as a whole was quite believable. We appreciate the school's interest and financial help.

HOME ECONOMIC NEWS

Vicky Collins, our home economics editor this year, asked Mrs. Degener to give us the following recipe for outdoor cooking.

The best place to entertain these days is outdoors. Whether you cook in your own backyard or away from home, charcoal cooking is great fun. It is such a wonderful solution for hot weather family meals.

Let's consider our budget and charcoal grill chicken rather than beef.

To begin halve or quarter a 2 to 2½ lb. broiler-fryer. If it's quick-frozen, thaw as label directs. Or buy fresh or quick-frozen chicken parts - breasts, thighs, etc. Break hip, knee, or wing joints to keep bird flat during grilling.

Season as desired with barbecue sauce, herb sauce or Delmarva (rub chicken with cut lemon, brush with melted butter and lightly sprinkle with granulated sugar).

When coals are glowing, arrange bird, with cut sides down, on greased grill or in folding wire broiler. Grill slowly, turning with tongs and basting with sauce if desired about twenty-five minutes or until tender. When done, knife cuts easily into thick part of leg, and no blood shows at bone.

ALUMNI NEWS

We are always happy to be able to pass along good news about our former students.

Congratulations to Miss Nina Coyle who has recently been elected president of Alpha Sigma Lambda, the honorary society of the University of Louisville.

This is an outstanding achievement, and we are all very proud of her.

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James Alan Whitehouse was born Sunday, April 28, at St. Joseph Infirmary. He weighed 6 lbs. 11 ozs., and both he and his mother, Beverly, are doing fine. Congratulations to Beverly and Jimmy Whitehouse..

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The Alumni Association of KSB will meet June 14th - 16th this year. We urge all former students to attend so that they may enjoy the many activities that are being planned as well as renewing friendships with former classmates.

Everyone knows just how busy we are at the end of the school year. We are printing a bulletin that lists the activities for the remainder of the year.

- May 10, 11, 12 Senior Trip - Miss Theriac, Mr. Scoggins, Mr. Morton will accompany the group.
- May 13 6:30 PM All Sports Banquet
- May 15 3:30 PM Take Your Choice Club
- May 18 10:00 AM Gregory Gym - PTA Spring Festival
- May 19 1:00 PM Langan Gymnasium - Sports Car Rally Victory Banquet
5:00 PM Food Center
- May 22 3:30 PM Take Your Choice Club (last meeting)
- May 25 8:00 PM Junior - Senior Prom
- May 27 Field Day 9:00 - 3:00
(students report to 8:00 o'clock classes prior to activities)
- May 30 7:30 PM Gregory Gym - Chorus and band recital

May 31	4:00 PM	Home Ec Dept. - Dinner & Slumber Party for Junior & Senior girls - Mrs. Degener
June 2	3:00 PM	Langan Gym - Graduation
June 4	2:00 PM	Langan Gym - Awards Assembly
June 5	1:00 PM	Gregory Gym - Primary & Elementary Recital
June 6		Last day of school. Classes end at noon.
June 14 - 16		Alumni Reunion

